

AGN. NO.

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS

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Proclaim February 19th, 2012 as Day of Remembrance

Seventy years ago, on February 19, 1942, President Franklin Delano Roosevelt signed Executive Order 9066, forcing over 120,000 Japanese Americans from their homes and businesses and incarcerating them without charge or trial under the pretext of national security, all in violation of their constitutional and human rights.

The saga of these violations inspired three generations of Japanese American leaders and families across the nation to seek redress, which resulted in the Civil Liberties Act of 1988, which provided for a government apology and reparations for over 82,000 survivors.

The incarceration and the post-war campaign for redress encompass the fragility and vitality of American democracy, which is the focus of the 2012 Los Angeles Day of Remembrance program, "70 Years After E.O. 9066: Defending Our Civil Liberties".

I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

Proclaim February 19, 2012 as the Day of Remembrance throughout Los Angeles County to mark the 70th Anniversary of the signing of Executive Order 9066, so that no other community suffer such violations of constitutional and human rights.

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